

## **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

[00161] Histidine ammonia lyase (HAL) isolated from *Corynebacteriaceae* can decrease serum histidine levels, induce accumulation of urocanic acid, and is not inhibited by L-histidinol. As a result, histidine ammonia lyases similar to the one isolated from *Corynebacteriaceae* are uniquely suitable for combination therapy with L-histidinol to treat histidine- and/or histamine-dependent pathologies, for example, infectious viruses, such as human Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV), Herpes Simplex Virus (HSV), and Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), as well as cancers.